(*b*) whether he is a partner in any Engineering or Banking concern;

(*c*) whether he is supplied with a separate phone; and

(*d*) whether he gets any phone call in his official capacity?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: (*a*) The Industrial Engineer is also the Chief Boiler Inspector. In addition to his duties as the Chief Boiler Inspector, his work includes the preparation of plans and estimates for the engineering works of the Department, and for private individuals who seek his help in regard to the engineering side of Industries, supervision of the engineering works of the Department, inspection of technical schools, like carpentry and smithery schools, help with advice and supervision of excavations, timbering, etc., of pits etc., during prospecting work for minerals.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) His office has phone connection from the office of the Director of Industries.

(*d*) Yes.

MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI: Is there not another Boiler Inspector under the Chief Boiler Inspector?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: Yes, Sir.

MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI: May I know the number of boilers working at present?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: 216.

MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI: What are the engineering works of the Industrial Engineer?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: There are several private firms who seek the help of the Industrial Engineer for the erection of machineries in their factories and his services are requisitioned for executing certain engineering works for the department itself.

MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI: Are the Carpentry and Smithery Schools still under the Industries Department?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: Yes, Sir.

Industrial Engineer.

272. ***MR. K. G. GOVINDAN** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state the nature of the work the Industrial Engineer of the Department of Industries has done for the last ten years?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: The Industrial Engineer, in addition to his duties as Chief Boiler Inspector, has been attending to the preparation of plans and estimates for the Engineering works of the Department and also to impart instruction to private individuals who seek his help in regard to the Engineering side of Industries. Supervision of Engineering works of the Department,

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inspection of some Technical Schools and supervision of the engineering side of prospecting operations are also duties that he attends to in the course of his work,

Forest Department.

273. *MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the policy ofthe Forest Department is conservation;

(*b*) whether Mr. Kamesam has suggested a scheme for felling teak wood from plantations;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative has it been made after visiting any plantations;

(*d*) if so, how many plantations has be visited and how many times; and

(*e*) whether felling teak from plantations is in conformity with the working plan of the same;

MR. P. RAMAN PILALI: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Three plantations—half a dozen times.

(*e*) Yes

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether Government have appointed any special officer for the working of the scheme?

MR. P. RAMAN PILLAI: A special officer has been appointed.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the object of appointing such a special officer?

MR. P. RAMAN PILLAI: To revise the scheme which has already been prepared.

Casuarina plantation at Veli.

274. *MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: Will Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the casuarina plantation at Veli was started;

(*b*) what is the total cost of that plantation hitherto;

(*c*) whether that plantation has been completely cut;

(*d*) on whose request it was cut;

(*e*) for what purpose it was cut and when cut;

(*f*) what is the volume of wood so cut;

(*g*) was the wood utilised for the purpose for which it was cut;

(*h*) what has been done with the timber so cut; and

(*i*) what is the loss sustained by Government by cutting that plantation?

MR. P. RAMAN PILLAI: (*a*) In 1075 M. E.

(*b*) Rs. 4064-25-3

(*c*) No.

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